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The Bust of Herman Melville

By Sarah K. Taylor

"Sculpting the bust of Herman Melville has been an exciting intellectual and emotional experience. A sculptor's goal is to bring out the life that lies within the material, in this case, bronze. Most of the elements that exist in the universe, in bronze metal, are also present in the human body. It has been the intention of the sculptor to create eye spaces or openings that will make a connection with these elements for the careful viewer. In this sculpture, you might see the hanging fire of Captain Ahab in the recesses of Melville's eye openings that will serve to recall the great author who wrote so well of the whales, whalers, and the sea, and stimulated the vivid imagination of his readers worldwide."

A Note from the Sculptor, David Englund; In order to create this extraordinary bust of Herman Melville, the artist, poet and philosopher, David Englund, needed material. This meant reading and seeing images of his subject, Melville, who has been long dead.

While photos and text were not scarce with the right connections and research, Mr. Englund had trouble in one area; he had no idea what the back of Melville's head looked like. While this may seem unimportant to most, and certainly there was no need at the time for anyone to take a picture of the back of Melville's head, it

is actually vital information for an artist moving a subject from two dimensional into three.

Mr. Englund sought help by contacting Hershel Parker, author of *Herman Melville 1851-1891: A Biography*, and resident of California. Mr. Parker responded quickly, but even he did not have any long lost photos of the back of Melville's head. He did, however, have the name and contact information for Melville's great-great grandson, Peter Whittemore, who lives in Cohasset, M.A.

While Mr. Englund had put to rest the idea of ever having a photo of the back of Melville's head, he thought perhaps Melville's descendant might have hats he could work with. Alas, no hats. But, Mr. Whittemore,



Above: Deputy Fire Chief Andrew Murray is sworn in as Acting Fire Chief by Mattapoissett Town Clerk Barbara Sullivan. (Photo by Ken Souza).



Above: Old Rochester High School student Michael Cordeiro packs super sub sandwiches for delivery as part of the Friends of Old Rochester Music's Super Bowl Subs fundraiser. Several dozen student and adult volunteers gathered at the ORR school cafeteria early on the morning February 1 to make and deliver several hundred sandwiches throughout the Tri-Town region on Super Bowl Sunday to raise money for music programs at Old Rochester Junior and Senior High Schools. The fundraiser has been an annual event dating back to 1998. (Photo by Robert Chiarito).

On the Cover: David Englund's bronze bust of Herman Melville. (Photo by Sarah K. Taylor).

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bearing a notable resemblance to his great-great grandfather, was willing to use his own head. With a live model, and staying true to the blood line, Mr. Englund was able to complete his project, the magnificent bronze bust of Herman Melville.

Once Melville was temporarily nestled into the New Bedford Whaling Museum, Mr. Whittemore paid his great-great grandfather a visit. His reaction? "I love it."

Melville is Mr. Englund's fourth bronze bust. His other sculptures are Leonardo da Vinci, Frank Lloyd Wright and Edna St Vincent Millay. He chose these historical figures because he found their work resonated with him.

The process of making a bust involves immersing oneself into the art spiritually. Mr. Englund worked for five months on his sculpture of Melville, sometimes getting up in the middle of the night and working into the dawn. Mr. Englund's choice to use eye spaces instead of eyeballs is a very conscious one. He feels that "eyeballs block any interior in a sculpture." Leaving space allows the viewer to interpret what they see. "Some people see eyes in those recesses."

Herman Melville and Leonardo da Vinci will be available for the public to view at the Marion Art Center as part of the Winter Members Show from March 1 through April 8 2009. Their web site is www.marionart-center.org. The artist's website is daveenglund.net.

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Thrills and Trills from the Tri-County Symphonic Band By Robert Chiarito

It would seem that Super Bowl Sunday would not be the best day of the year to have a concert but, for the Tri-County Symphonic Band Super Sunday seems to suit them just fine as they filled the Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium at Old Rochester Regional High School to near capacity for their performance Grainger, Gershwin and Gregson. As announcer Roger Haber noted, "The Super Bowl is second only to Thanksgiving for days when we eat the most. So, by being here today you will not only be entertained but we will help you lose five pounds as well."

The program featured compositions from three of the Twentieth Century's most noted composers taking listeners on a musical travelogue from the streets of New York City to the English county side and across the fields of the Jim Crow South. With Musical Director Philip Sanborn conducting the Tri-County Symphonic Band began the program with Edward Gregson's Prelude for an Occasion, a composition that Gregson composed for the Black Dyke Mills Band in 1968. The piece opens with a short fanfare, which was a perfect way to warm up the audience for an afternoon of sophisticated entertainment from one of the South Coast's best group performers.

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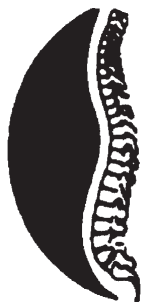
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from George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess. Gershwin's tale of Catfish Row was one of the first opera's to feature an all African American cast when it debuted in the early 1930's and has been performed countless times since. The work combines folkie American melodies with jazz and classical strains along with a number of soaring trills, making it one of the most innovative and recognizable pieces of the Twentieth Century.

Announcer Roger Haber stepped to the podium to announce the next piece asking the audience "Are you ready to head to Lincolnshire?" in reference to the Percy Grainger piece Lincolnshire Posey. Grainger, an Australian composer born in Adelaide in 1861, based this piece on folk tunes set in the English countryside. This piece took full advantage of the Tri-County Band's talented group of wind players and Mr. Sanborn asked several of the players including oboist Wayne Coasts and bassoonist Saul Woythaler to take a much deserved bow at the end of the performance.

After intermission much of the concert was dedicated to the lower end of the musical scale as tuba player Stephan Dumaine was the day's featured performer. Mr. Dumaine was spotlighted during a fine performance of Gregson's Tuba Concerto. Mr. Dumaine is a native of Rhode Island and a graduate of the prestigious Juilliard School of Music. He has performed with orchestras around the world including the New World Symphony, the New York Ballet Orchestra and the New York Philhar-

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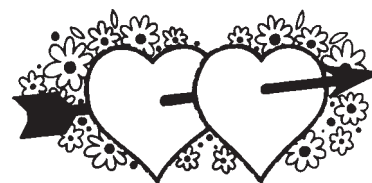
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The Tri-County Symphonic Band is in the midst of their forty eighth season. They have two more performance remaining on their schedule with next being a March 22 show at the Fireman Performing Arts Center on the campus of Tabor Academy. The program, Shall We Dance, will feature Marion flutist Leslie Stroud. If you would like more information about the Tri-County Symphonic Band and their up-coming performances you can go to their website at www.tricountysymphonicband.org.

AristoCats in Rochester

By Sarah K. Taylor

The entire fourth grade, an impressive eighty students, of Rochester Memorial School came together Thursday evening to put on a brilliant performance of *Disney's AristoCats*. This was their second performance of the day, having already warmed up by giving the school a viewing.

AristoCats is a musical, involving kittens and their mother Duchess, a jazzy alley cat named Thomas O'Malley, more cats, dogs, geese, a mouse and a human family. The costumes were designed by the fourth graders, just another talent they displayed for the full house at their evening show.

While all eighty students participated in the costume making and the singing, nineteen were given leading roles, in which they soloed, or sang within a small group, danced and carried the story along.

According to their director, Ms. Susan Ellis, the fourth grade has been working on the music since September. In December, the show was cast and after-school rehearsals began. Ms. Ellis is familiar with this schedule; she directs the fourth grade show every year. When asked what was striking about this years group she responded

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Their hard work paid off.

Yet it was not only the fourth graders and their director who worked hard, the program gave credit and thanks to many parents and volunteers who put their time and energy into making this a great show. Their pianist, Ms. Nancy Sparklin, showed her incredible talent by accompanying the entire show. She has also been accompanying for a number of years, and claims the children have been "so excited from the very beginning."

After chatting with one of the leading characters, ten year old Sara Achorn, who played the hilarious Edgar, I learned that she enjoyed Edgar because "I think I fit that character". She embellished her performance with large gestures, smooth dance moves and full-body, head-shaking sneezes (Edgar is allergic to cats). Sara said that it's "really an honor being able to perform in my school's show."

I've no doubt that these students are now basking in the feeling of accomplishment they have earned. At Rochester School, this performance marks a certain growth and milestone for the fourth grade. While the tradition of fourth grade musicals will continue at Rochester School, this year's group can move forward knowing that they set the bar a notch higher for those to come.

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

January 29, 2009

By Ricky A. Pursley

A meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 7:00 pm by Selectman Jordan C. Collyer. Also present were Selectman George Randall, Town Administrator Michael J. Botelho, Town Police Chief Mary R. Lyons, Deputy Fire Chief Andrew U. Murray, Town Clerk Barbara A. Sullivan and Assistant to the Town Administrator Melody A. Pacheco. Chairman Stephen J. Lombard was absent from the meeting.

Upon a motion made by Selectman Randall and seconded by Selectman Collyer, the Board approved the minutes of the January 6, 2009 Executive Session of the Board, and the minutes of the January 6, 2009 Meeting of the Board.

The Board voted unanimously to appoint William J. Kelly of Carver as a Reserve Police Officer. The Board also voted unanimously to approve the snow and ice deficit for Fiscal Year 2009.

The Board voted unanimously to accept, with regret, the resignation of Peter B. Perkins as Gas Inspector for the Town of Mattapoisett after 22 years of service. The Board announced that there will be a luncheon at Town Hall in Mr. Perkins' honor at noon on Wednesday, February 4, 2009.

Town Clerk Barbara A. Sullivan swore in Deputy

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The Board recognized Kenneth J. Souza, News Editor and Reporter for *The Wanderer* for the past 17 years for his service to the community. Mr. Souza will be joining the staff of *The Anchor* in Fall River, Massachusetts.

The Board recessed from 7:10 pm to 7:25 pm for a short reception honoring Chief Murray and Mr. Souza.

Police Chief Mary R. Lyons presented her annual update on the Police Department to the Board. She said that the Department is fortunate to have a top-notch roster of officers. "Lieutenant Paul Silveira is in charge of detectives, and vehicle and building maintenance," the



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Chief said, and she noted that each shift has a Sergeant in charge as a supervisor. Chief Lyons said that the Department has three open positions currently, with one student officer in the academy in Plymouth, and one reserve officer who is completing field training.

The Chief reported 6,982 calls to the police department in 2008.

Chief Lyons said that the Department currently has six marked vehicles, one four-wheel drive marked vehicle, and two unmarked vehicles in its fleet. She noted that the Police Department building is now 20 years old, and requires attention regularly for maintenance and repair. The Chief said that she is in consultation with the Town Capital Planning Committee regarding future capital needs of the Department.

Emergency Medical Services, operated by the Police Department, now has eight paramedics on staff, and three additional paramedics in training. Officer Kevin Leblanc serves as the Emergency Medical Services Manager. Kevin is also a Nurse Practitioner, giving him extra skills for the Service. Sergeant Anthony Days serves as the EMS Coordinator, and handles regulatory matters for the Service. The Service responded to 417 calls in 2008, and has already responded to 45 calls in the first 29 days of 2009. Chief Lyons noted the high level of professionalism maintained by the EMS staff by citing a two-day course on airway management being held January 31 and February 1, 2009 at Old Rochester Regional, where nine

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"Do you have any significant technical upgrades for the Department coming up?" asked Selectman Collyer. Chief Lyons responded that the Department is looking at possible grants for upgrades to the radio systems, which must be all-digital by 2018.

Selectman Collyer noted that ambulance receipts will be used to fund future ambulance replacements, and that in the next few months, the Board will vote on a concrete policy on how much of the ambulance receipts should be used to fund ambulance replacement.

Chief Lyons also informed the Board that she has been named Chair of the Southeastern Massachusetts Homeland Security Council.

Ms. Bonnie DeSousa, President of the Friends of the Mattapoisett Bicycle and Recreational Path, appeared before the Board to express the group's pleasure with the completion of Phase 1A of the Path, and noted that Mattapoisett Neck residents have reported heavy use of the Path since its completion. Ms. DeSousa said that maintenance issues, including mowing, now need to be addressed. In addition, the Friends are proposing signage identifying the Path. The Board directed the Town Administrator to meet with Ms. DeSousa and the Highway Department to discuss signage and maintenance issues,

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and to report back to the Board on those discussions. Ms. DeSousa shared with Board members some drafts of proposed signage, including dedication of each of the four sections, once completed. The first section of the Path, also known as Phase 1A, is proposed to be named "The Veterans Mile," in honor of all military veterans, as well as Police and Fire Department veterans. Ms. DeSousa proposed a dedication ceremony of The Veterans Mile for April 17, 2009. On a motion by Selectman Collyer, the Board unanimously approved the date of April 17, 2009 for a dedication ceremony of the first quarter of the Path, known as Phase 1A.

On Town budget matters, Selectman Collyer noted that there will be a \$49,500 local aid cut for the Town, and that officials are looking at ways to cover the loss in the Fiscal Year 2009 budget. For Fiscal Year 2010, the projections indicate a cut of approximately \$97,700 in state aid to the Town. "The Town is now poised to meet the budget with the current revenue stream, even considering these difficult economic times," Selectman Collyer said.

Town Administrator Michael Botelho reported that a petition for a Special Town Meeting has been received and certified by the Town Clerk. The petition seeks to address sewer service for Mattapoissett Neck. By law, the latest date for the Special Town Meeting is March 9, 2009.

Mr. Botelho also reported that the issue of dredging of Eel Pond is still under examination, with no devel-

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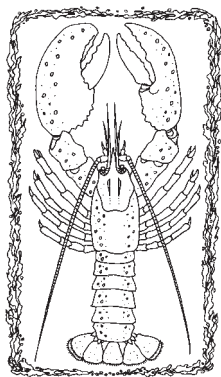
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opments to report.

The Board also received correspondence from Comcast outlining changes in channel lineups for the Town. Some of those changes have already occurred, and others will be occurring over the next two months. Details have been and will be provided to subscribers by means of inserts in Comcast bills. None of the changes impact Town operations on Comcast channel 95.

Selectman Randall moved that the Board go into Executive Session at 8:26 pm, the motion was seconded by Selectman Collyer, and approved unanimously.

Rochester Selectmen's Special Meeting

January 29, 2009

By Ricky A. Pursley

A special meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 4:00 pm by Selectman Dan McGaffey. Also present were Selectman Bradford N. Morse, Town Administrator Richard LaCamera, Town Counsel Blair S. Bailey, Town Police Chief Paul Magee, Town Clerk Naida Parker and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere. Chairman Richard Nunes was absent from the meeting. The meeting was called at the request of Chief Magee to discuss issues relating to enforcement of the By-laws, Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Dogs of the Town of Rochester.

Chief Magee reported that in September 2008, the Town Clerk reported over 300 persons as not being in compliance with the dog licensing regulations of the Town, and provided that list to the Police Chief in his capacity as Town Dog Officer. "What happened this past year, the list that was provided by the Town Clerk, there were over 300 unregistered dogs." Mr. LaCamera said, "In our opinion, that is something that never should have happened." By the end of December 2008, Chief Magee

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reported that over 250 cases had been resolved, but at a significant cost in police man-hours. The Chief said that his department needs to have a better enforcement procedure in place in order to reduce time demands on his officers relating to the enforcement of dog licensing regulations. "My goal for right now is to avoid that situation When it comes September, that that list will not be nearly as big as it is," said Chief Magee.

The Chief presented a plan for improved enforcement which would include having the Town Clerk publish a monthly reminder regarding dog licensing regulations in as many media outlets as possible, from January through April of each year. "So it is my hope that in those months of January, February, March, April, May, and June, we take a much more proactive approach of getting people to license their dogs," Magee said. Thereafter, a new list of noncompliant dog owners would be published in May of each year, and the Town Clerk would generate postcards to be mailed by the Office of the Selectmen to all noncompliant dog owners. "By the By-law, in May, the Selectmen's office is asked to mail out a notice to those individuals whose dogs are unlicensed reminding them that they have until July first or they will be assessed a late fee," Chief Magee said.

Under the current regulations, all dog owners who have unlicensed dogs in the Town as of July 1 of each year face a \$25 late fee in addition to the license fee of \$7 (spayed or neutered dogs) to \$10 (un-spayed or un-neutered dogs) per dog. Each September 1, the Board of Selectmen issues warrants for all noncompliant dog owners, and directs the Police Chief to take enforcement action. Such enforcement action could include arrest of the noncompliant dog owners.

The Chief and Town Counsel Blair Bailey reviewed a number of changes suggested to be made to the

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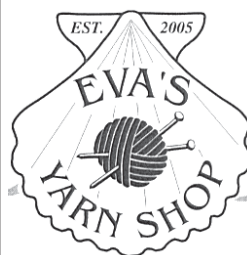
By-laws, Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Dogs of the Town of Rochester. Among these changes were modifying the age of a dog subject to licensing from the current age of three months to a proposed six months, to conform the By-laws to Massachusetts state law and to accepted practice for rabies vaccination, which must be proven at the time of licensing. All of the proposed changes will be set forth in Warrants for the Annual Town Meeting that the Town Counsel will prepare.

The By-laws also require that inspections of kennels in the Town be conducted twice each year. Chief Magee stated that these inspections have not been conducted for some time, and need to be done. The Chief suggested that each time a kennel license is issued, that the Town Clerk provide a copy of the By-laws to the licensee. Town Clerk Naida Parker reported that there are presently approximately 27 licensed kennels in the Town (20 regular kennel licenses, five or six hobby kennel licenses, and two commercial kennel licenses). Regular kennels are authorized to contain four to six dogs each. Hobby kennels contain six to ten dogs, and Commercial kennels contain over ten dogs.

Chief Magee also requested that all kennel licenses list the number of dogs that the license covers when it is issued, and Ms. Parker agreed that the licenses would so indicate in the future.

The By-laws also provide that kennel operators report all dog sales to the Town Clerk annually. The Board decided that this requirement, which has not been enforced, will be enforced beginning on February 16, 2009.

The collection and accounting of dog license fees was also discussed. The By-law requires that the fees collected by the Town Clerk be deposited on the first Monday of each month, with 75 cents per license being



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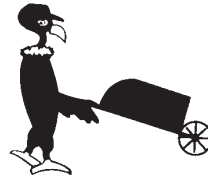
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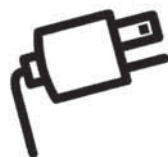
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retained by the Town Clerk as compensation. Town Administrator LaCamera stated that this procedure has not been followed, and that the Town's auditors have noted this fact in their audit reports for the past four years. Mr. LaCamera said that he has managed to get all of the Town departments to make weekly deposits into the general fund so that monies collected are not held in offices for lengthy periods of time, and expressed his hope that the Town Clerk would follow the same procedure. Ms. Parker said that she would continue to make deposits on a monthly basis. Mr. LaCamera expressed concern that the Town, through the Board of Selectmen, cannot verify the amounts retained by the Town Clerk as compensation as being correct, since only the Town Clerk has control of those monies until deposits are made. Ms. Parker said that she will be happy to provide her income tax records to the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen. "So you will (. . .) verify that this income has been reported on your income tax?" Mr. LaCamera asked. "Yes," Ms. Parker replied. Mr. LaCamera also noted that in the auditors' opinion, retained amounts should be deposited by the Town Clerk into the general fund, and then sought by request of the Town Clerk, and paid to the Town Clerk by a payroll check, thereby assuring accurate accounting of those amounts.

The Chief also reported that he has tried to identify locations with repeated violations relating to barking dogs, and asked the Board for guidance as to when the



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Board wants to be informed of such violations. The Board determined that if there are three or more complaints about a particular location in the space of three months' time, the Board wants notification from the Police Chief.

There being no other business, the Board adjourned at 5:07 pm.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

February 2, 2009

By Ricky A. Pursley

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Richard Nunes. Also present were Selectman Dan A. McGaffey and Selectman Bradford N. Morse, Town Administrator Richard LaCamera, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

The Board approved the minutes of the January 26, 2009 Selectmen's meeting. On a motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman McGaffey, the Board approved affixing the signatures of the Selectmen to a notice to the Mass Highway Department regarding certain road closures on June 27 and 28, 2009 related to the Cape Cod Gateway Charity Bike Ride.

The Board noted receipt of correspondence from the Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity Executive Director, Cindy Parola, regarding the mission of the organization, and requesting a meeting with the Board regarding potential partnerships between the Town and Habitat.

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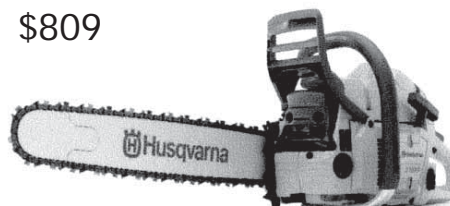
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Mr. LaCamera presented the Town Administrator's report. "At the last meeting, I had submitted a list of projects to the Board for consideration under the federal economic stimulus program." Mr. LaCamera asked if the Board had ranked any of the proposed "shovel-ready" projects on the list. "The gas line extension to Memorial School should be in the top three project list," Selectman McGaffey said. Selectman Nunes agreed: "It is important to get the gas down to the school so that we aren't using oil to heat the school." After some discussion, the Board agreed to combine three road work projects into one, and make that the number one priority on the list. Number two on the list will be the gas line extension to Rochester Memorial School, and the third project will be the renovation of the Town Hall.

Mr. LaCamera noted that at the last Selectmen's meeting, he had mentioned that there is a grant program available to the Town that might help with affordable housing, up to a maximum of \$10,000. He will continue to explore these grant possibilities, and report back to the Board.

There will be a meeting in Freetown on February 10, 2009 among several area towns to consider bulk buying and regionalization of services among the towns, which Mr. LaCamera cannot attend. "We do a lot of regionalization already. I cannot attend, so if there are any Selectmen who can attend, here is the information on the meeting," Mr. LaCamera said.

The next meeting of the Tri-Town Selectmen, which the Town will be hosting, is on Thursday, February 5, 2009 in the Media Room at ORR. On the agenda are the issues of regional dispatching, and the ORR budget. Mr. LaCamera asked if there were any other issues that the Board would like added to the agenda. "Should the regionalization of EMS be something we should add?" asked Selectman Nunes. Selectman Morse replied, "No, let's talk to Wareham first."



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Mr. LaCamera presented a draft Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Plan for Board review. He will seek Board approval at the next regular Selectmen's meeting.

On the Fiscal Year 2009 budget, Mr. LaCamera said, "As you know, the Governor has made some reductions in state aid for 2009. The reductions are \$51,000 for the Town of Rochester." Mr. LaCamera presented a list of recommended funding shifts and associated budget deficits: Available Funds include \$68,000 from the Reserve Fund; \$6,000 savings from Property Insurance; \$10,000 savings from Health Insurance; \$3,500 savings from Business Interruption Insurance; \$13,396 savings from Liability Insurance; and \$21,918 savings from the Rochester Memorial School budget. The anticipated deficits are: Gasoline, \$5,000; ORR Assessment to the Town, \$10,000; Veterans Services, \$2,000; Unemployment Claims, \$15,000; Snow and Ice, \$40,000; and the State Aid Cut, \$51,114. The total savings, \$123,114, match the total anticipated deficits, \$123,114. Members of the Rochester

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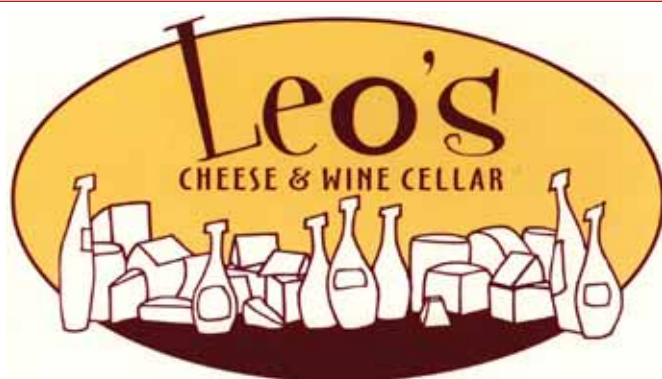
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Memorial School Committee in attendance expressed concern with the proposal to cut RMS funding. Asked by those members if all Town departments were examined for budget cuts, Mr. LaCamera said: "Yes. I went through every department. And most of the savings shown are savings that I generated in the last six months." Mr. LaCamera noted that there was no reason for the Board to vote on the matter at this time: "The numbers could change."

Mr. LaCamera then began a discussion of the Fiscal Year 2010 budget, acknowledging receipt by the Town of the so-called "cherry sheets," which are local aid estimates issued by the Governor's office to cities and towns. "The Governor has decided that he wants to hold harmless all of the Chapter 70 money, the schools' money, which he has done," Mr. LaCamera said. He noted that the lottery aid to Rochester will be reduced by \$150,910. According to Mr. LaCamera, the Governor has proposed a one percent meal tax statewide and a one percent room tax statewide. These proposals, if enacted, would result in approximately \$50,307 from the meals tax and \$9,758 from the room tax to the Town, for a net reduction of approximately \$90,000.


Mr. LaCamera also noted that neither the Rochester Memorial School nor the ORR budgets have been received by the Town yet. He said that the minimum contribution from the Town to ORR is projected to increase by \$128,000, while the minimum contribution from

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the Town to Old Colony will be decreasing by an amount not yet known. On the revenue side, Mr. LaCamera said that the projections, which are fairly firm, show \$198,300 in revenue. "The positive side is that we have SEMASS, which generates almost 42% of the Town's revenue." Mr. LaCamera noted that the Town has some overlay reserve, approximately \$29,000, which can be used in Fiscal Year 2010. Selectman McGaffey said, "If we are able to maintain Town services at current levels, I think that is good news."

There being no other business, the Board adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

February 3, 2009

By Patricia Aleks

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order in the Marion Town House on Tuesday, February 3 at 7:03 pm by Chairman Jonathan Henry. Also present were Selectman Roger Blanchette, Selectman Stephen Cushing, Town Administrator Paul Dawson and Secretary Helene Craver.

The board first approved the minutes of the January 20, 2009.

The first appointment of the evening was the MacLean dog hearing. Town Counsel John Witten was present as Hearing Officer. He instructed the Selectmen that no final decision needs be made this evening.



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As instructed by Attorney Witten, Police Chief Miller explained the complaint filed by Mr. Lawrence Dorman of Allen's Point Road concerning a dog bite sustained by his wife on December 28, 2008 from the MacLean's dog, Cody. The dog came onto the Dorman's property and bit Mrs. Dorman resulting in a "nasty" injury. Mrs. Dorman was taken to the hospital by her husband, had x-rays, and was given medication along with limited activity due to the bite.

Attorney Markey spoke on behalf of the MacLean's, owner of Cody. "You have heard of other incidents of biting, a young girl bitten occurred when the children were at play and the child ran away, Cody nipped her." "There was also an allegation of another biting, but it was never confirmed to be Cody" This recent incident involving Mrs. Dorman, he explained, occurred when the MacLean's were on vacation and the caregiver had put the wrong collar on Cody which allowed him to run over the electric fence.

Attorney Markey said that the MacLean's felt horrible about the incident and expressed great concern. "I ask you not to consider taking the dog away" said Markey. He said to assure this does not happen again the MacLean's intend to have a fence completely enclose their property "to prevent the dog from getting out in addition to adjusting the electric fence." They will keep the dog on a leash and Cody will attend obedience school.

"When will these measures be done?" asked Selectmen Henry.

Attorney Markey requested a 6 month continuance due to the weather making installing a fence not possible. The fence will be 5 feet high as recommended by the fence installer for the size dog the MacLean's have, a 36 pound boxer.

A neighbor, Mrs. Foster said she has seen the

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dogs romping on the beach and "does not see Cody as being vicious at all"

Attorney Witten reminded the Board that the "police reports speaks for itself, the Board has to go by that". He added "The question to be asked is: What is being done today to prevent this from happening again?"

Mr. Dorman addressed the board saying that he had been nipped by Cody the week before his wife was bitten but he did not file a complaint. He added "I am not sure a fence will be satisfactory because if the dog gets out, the liability is huge". "My position is that a fence is not satisfactory and we need to see the dog no longer here in the town of Marion".

Mrs. Dorman spoke to the board stating her fear, "It is bad. I'm scared to death and do not want to be in that house. I don't know where that dog is. If this had been my grandchild he could be dead"

Selectmen Blanchette asked Animal Control Officer Connor for her input on this situation and she stated, "This dog has behavior issues and needs a 6 foot fence plus the invisible fence" She added, "I always recommend dogs deemed dangerous be destroyed, not moved to another town".

A motion was made to take this matter under advisement based upon: 1) Cody be confined to the house at all times; 2) when out of the house he must be supervised by an adult and on a leash and muzzled at all times; 3) the MacLean's must supply a homeowners certificate of



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Mrs. MacLean was given 72 hours to produce a properly fitting muzzle and notify Animal Control of such.

A decision will be rendered at the next Selectmen's meeting on February 17, 2009 at 7:05PM. Motion was approved by all members of the board to adopt these measures.

Additional items on the Selectmen's meeting agenda continued past press deadline.

Winter Blues Film Festival is Fast Approaching

By Olivia Mello

On Friday, March 6th, Old Rochester Regional High School will be hosting its seventh annual Winter Blues Film Festival. It will take place at 6:00 P.M. inside of the school's cafeteria. The films will be presented upon a large projection screen. All students and staff members are invited to enter an original film into the competition. Videos should fall into one of the eight categories. These include entertainment (both long and short), non-fiction (long and short), music video (five minutes or less), public service announcement (more than one minute), animation/special effects (five minutes or less), documentary, movie trailer (two minutes or less) and/or commercial (two minutes or less). "Long" films should not be



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any more than ten minutes in length while short films shouldn't be any longer than five minutes in length. Prizes will be awarded in each one of these categories based upon the entries submitted. The event will be concluded with an Audience Choice Award, which is based upon whichever video receives the loudest round of applause.

All films can be given to Ms. Wickman by Friday, February 27th. The films should be burned upon a DVD or Mini DV and should be labeled with the film's title, the film's category, the names of the producer(s)/director(s), as well as the name of their homeroom teacher. A brief summary should be written about the film for inclusion into the Winter Blues Film Festival Booklet, which will be distributed at the entrance. A short biography of the director may also be included. These can both be emailed to Ms. Wickman at mwickman@orr.mec.edu. Here is a summary sample: "A World Blinded"—From producer Gary Lawrence comes a story about the trials and tribulations of a life torn apart. Corey (Knudsen) and Kyle (Amicucci) are about to leave their town and begin a new chapter when a tragic event changes their lives forever. Now, with the help of Kyle's girlfriend Bridget (Murphy), Corey must make a choice. He must decide whether he will let past events haunt him or take matters into his own hands."

All films are required to have a PG13 rating limit. They will be previewed before the night of the festival meaning that not all films that are submitted will be accepted. There is a small five-dollar fee for audience members. All the proceeds earned at this event will be given to the high school's AFS (the America Field Service) organization. Those showing their film(s) at the festival will not need to pay the admission fee. These people should arrive to the school by 5:15 in order to double



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This year with Valentine's Day will come Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High School's February vacation. The break will begin on Saturday the 14th and run until Monday the 23rd, when students and staff are required to return to school.



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By Robert Chiarito

The Old Colony Basketball Program continues to be the class of the Mayflower League as both the Boys and Girls teams continued to run past the competition over the past week. **David Hill and the Old Colony Boys Basketball team** began the week with a trip to the Cape winning 49-41 over Cape Cod Tech on Tuesday, January 27 with **Hill's** 16 points leading the way. The Cougars returned home on Friday, January 30 where they defeated Tri-County Tech 70-50. **Hill** was the high scorer for Old Colony once again as he poured in 20 points as the Cougars improved to 13-2 overall on the season.

The Old Colony Regional Vocational Tech High School Lady Cougar Basketball team was also a perfect two wins in two tries this past week as they began the week with a one point 52-51 win at Upper Cape Tech on Tuesday, January 27. **Nicole Mareiro** led the way for the winners as she topped the scorer's sheet with 16 points. The Cougars next traveled to Norfolk County Agricultural High School on Thursday, January 29, coming home with a 51-25 victory. Chelsea Lambolot led the Lady Cougars with 11 points on the evening. Old Colony is now 13-2 on the season with a perfect 6-0 mark in Mayflower League play.

The Old Rochester Lady Bulldog Winter track team remained unbeaten for the season pushing their record to a perfect 7-0 as they defeated Wareham High

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School on Monday, February 2 in New Bedford. ORR can win the South Coast Conference title with a win at Seekonk on February 4. **Maggie Robinson** was a double winner for the Bulldogs as she placed first in both the high jump and the mile.

Old Rochester's Hockey team continued their post-season push as they played .500 hockey over the past week with a win, a loss and a tie in three tries. The Bulldogs began the week with a 1-1 tie at home versus Dartmouth on Monday, January 26. They followed the tie with an 8-2 home win over Greater New Bedford Vo-Tech on Wednesday, January 28. **Eric Xavier** had three assists for the Bulldogs while **Chris DiBiao** chipped in with two goals in the victory. The week ended with the Bulldogs falling at home to New Bedford High School 6-2 on Saturday, January 31. ORR is now 10-5-2 for the season.

The Old Rochester Girls Basketball team improved to 9-6 for the 2008/09 season as they defeated the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School Bears 58-32 at home on Tuesday, January 27. **Michelle Franklin** had a monster game for ORR as she scored a game high 23 points. The Lady Bulldogs rounded out the week with a 49-40 loss at home against Wareham High School on Friday, January 30.

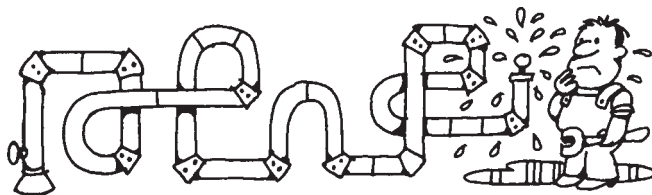
It will be an uphill climb if the **Old Rochester Boys Basketball team** is going to make the postseason after they lost both of their games over the past week. The Greater New Bedford Vo-Tech Bears downed the

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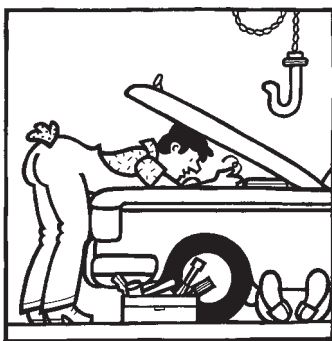
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Bulldogs 78-56 in New Bedford on Tuesday, January 27. On Friday, January 30 the Bulldogs made their way down Route Six to Wareham to face the Vikings and came away with a 99-49 loss. With the losses the Bulldogs dropped to 5-8 for the season.

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To the Editor;

In response to your announcement on page 30 in the Jan 22 issue of the Wanderer, "Mattapoisett Book Collection" I prepared two full grocery bags of books to donate. On Saturday, with about 5 minutes to go before the Transfer Station closed on Tinkham Hill Road, I pulled in. The gentleman working there said I needed the \$25 Mattapoisett sticker to drop anything off, even books. I use the Rochester Recycle center with a Rochester sticker for stuff we take there, but the gentleman said I needed the Mattapoisett sticker to drop anything off at his station. Since it was almost closing time, he said he was not going to take the time to issue the sticker (which I did not think he issued, I got my Rochester sticker at town hall) so I would have to leave. His parting comment was that he did not get paid overtime, and he was not going to allow the books to be dropped off. Not that he would have to do anything, I could see the book drop clearly, could have placed my books there and been gone within 5

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minutes. Clearly some 'customer service' training would benefit this gentleman. Or, the ad in the Wanderer should have stated the requirement for the correct sticker. But why would the residents of Mattapoisett, Fairhaven, and Rochester need to pay that, if all they were doing was using a book drop to drop off books for a good cause? Or perhaps the gentleman's supervisor should have informed him that all book drops were free. So, a big 'jeers' to the guy on duty at the transfer station on Tinkham Hill Road, 31 Jan, 2:54 PM.

Sincerely,

Halima Tiffany
Rochester, MA.

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Southcoast MMTA to Host Music Achievement Evaluations

The Southcoast Chapter of the Massachusetts Music Teacher's Association is planning to hold Music Achievement Evaluations for piano students on Saturday, March 14, 2009. "We are seeking piano teachers from the Southcoast area who would like to register their students to participate," said Judith Mitchell, president of the local chapter.

The evaluations will be held at JBP Piano Studios in Swansea, MA. It is one of five Massachusetts centers to host the annual program. Students are asked to perform two pieces for the MMTA evaluator who uses the Master Class approach. This provides a one-on-one opportunity, not only to perform, but to gain valuable insights from a master pianist into improving one's performance skills.

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noted, "Now is the time for teachers and students to begin preparing for the MMTA Achievement Evaluations. We are trying to reach out to teachers who have not yet experienced the benefits of having their students participate in the evaluation process."

More information or applications can be obtained at the MMTA website MAE@mmta.net, or by calling the local site JPB Piano Studios at 508-678-2084. The registration deadline for the Southeastern Chapter is February 14, 2009. MMTA member teachers and non-member can participate. The fee for registration is \$20 for students of member teachers and \$45 for non-members.

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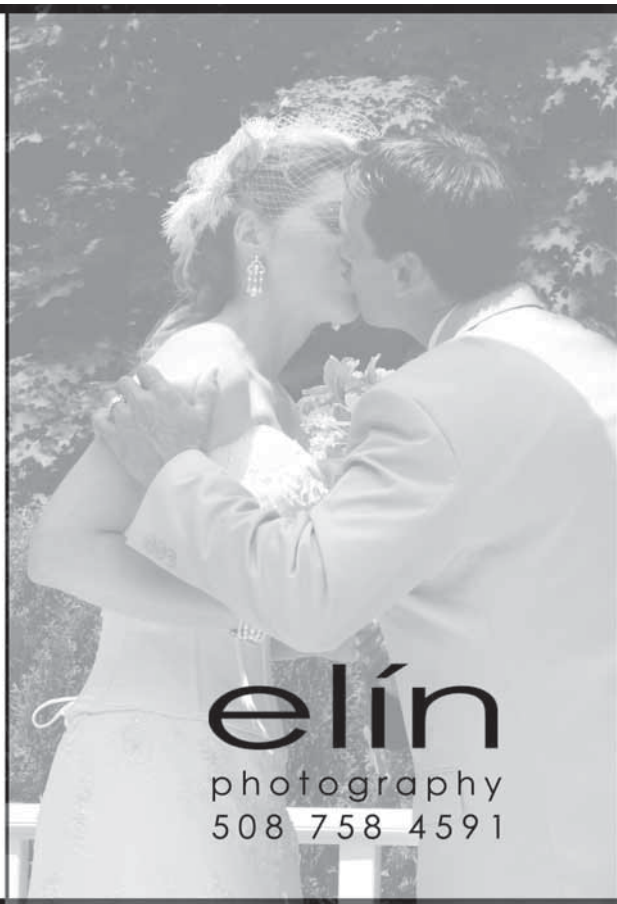


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National Honor Society Old Colony Chapter

Jane Worthington of Acushnet and Christopher Faustino of Rochester, both seniors at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School and members of the National Honor Society, have been nominated to compete in the National Honor Society scholarship. The National Honor Society is a program of the National Secondary School Principals.

This year the program will once again award \$200,000 in college scholarships. As a feature of this program, special recognition awards will be presented to state and regional winners, along with the selection of one national recipient who will receive a \$13,000 award.

Nominees from each high school's National Honor Society chapter were selected based on their leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience and academic record. They also were required to write an essay.

"Students nominated for the NHS scholarship not only demonstrate academic excellence but also excel in other areas of service, leadership and character," said David Cordts, associated director, NHS. In recognizing leadership in co-curricular activities as well as academic performance, the NHS scholarship recognizes the importance of a well-rounded education. Co-curricular activities are an essential part of the curriculum."

The National Honor Society and the Junior Honor Society are the nation's premier organization recognizing outstanding middle level and high school students who demonstrate excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character.

Marion Democratic Caucus

Registered Democrats in Marion will be holding a caucus on Saturday, February 7 at 11:00 am in the main conference room at the Marion Town Hall. The caucus will elect delegates to attend the 2009 Massachusetts Democratic Convention held at the MassMutual Center in Springfield on June 6, 2009.

The caucus will be electing three delegates and three alternates to send to the convention. Only those



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If you have questions regarding the caucus or need a ride to the caucus, please contact George T.J. Walker, Town Democratic Chairman, at 508-748-1019.

Democrats to Hold Caucus in Mattapoisett

Registered Democrats in Mattapoisett will be holding a caucus in the first floor Meeting Room of the Town Hall at 10 Main Street, on Saturday, February 7, 2009 at 10:00 AM to elect four delegates and two alternates to the 2009 Massachusetts Democratic Convention. Delegates will be divided evenly between men and women. The Democratic Convention will be held on Saturday, June 6 at the MassMutual Center in Springfield, Mass. At that time, Democrats from across the state will come together to adopt a party platform. The keynote speaker will be David Plouffe, who managed the historic Obama presidential campaign. Voting at the caucus is open to all registered Democrats in Mattapoisett that were registered before December 31, 2008. All ballots will be written and secret. For caucus information, please contact Vice Chairman Charles Motta at 508-758-6575.

Sippican School Registration

Children who will be five years of age by August 31 and reside in Marion are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten. Kindergarten registration will be held at Sippican



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Information and forms were mailed on January 26 to the parents of all prospective Kindergarteners. Any parent not receiving this information should call Cathy Caramanica at Sippican School at 508-748-0100, extension 304.

Center School Kindergarten Registration

Center School, Mattapoisett, MA, will be holding their 2009-2010 Kindergarten Registration on Tuesday, February 10 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and again on Wednesday, February 11 from 8:45 to 10:45 a.m. Letters and registration materials have previously been sent to all parents of eligible children. Parents are requested to bring the completed Registration Form, along with their child's birth certificate and immunization records on either of the registration days.

If you have a child who was born before August 31, 2004 and is eligible to enter kindergarten in August, 2009 but have not received a registration packet, please contact the office of Center School at 508-758-2521 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you on either February 10 or 11.

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• March 18 and again March 25 – ROCKETS!
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• April 15 – Whales and You! – Whales and humans do in fact share some common characteristics. We'll compare and contrast whale and human anatomy, habitat, characteristics and behaviors. Do we measure up? Program will be led by Yvonna Rowinski, Science Programs Educator at the New Bedford Whaling Museum

• May 6 – Deep Sea Diving – Vinnie is a biologist and avid deep sea diver with the state Division of Marine Fisheries. Let's explore the equipment used while diving and learn what it's used for. Program led by Vincent Malkoski.

• May 20 – Aliens! Plant invaders from another land – Did you know that many of our plants are under attack? Some of these invaders are stronger and more evil than you think. Let's learn the difference between the "good" guys and the "bad" with plant enthusiast Mike Schroeder.

The cost for the above programs is \$6 for non-members, \$4 for members. Please send registration form (available at the museum) with payment to the Marion Natural History Museum, P.O. Box 644, Marion, MA 02738 to reserve a spot. All programs will meet at the Marion Natural History Museum, 8 Spring Street in Marion. Please register with the museum directly, not the school or library.

Mattapoisett Lions Club

Members of the Mattapoisett Lions Club are thinking springtime. Members are already hard at work planning the senior dinner, which will be held Saturday,



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Also in the planning are the Harbor Days festivities, which are held the third weekend of July. The club has great raffle prizes planned for this year including \$1,000 in cash, a 50" HDTV, pairs of Red Sox and Patriots tickets and a \$250 gas card — tickets will be on sale in the near future. Kudos go out to Bill Calusine who has volunteered to chair the raffle again this year.

Please make sure to visit them online at www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org. Anyone wishing to learn more about the Mattapoisett Lions Club may write to P.O. Box 1022, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, or call club President Joseph Rego at 508-763-8707.

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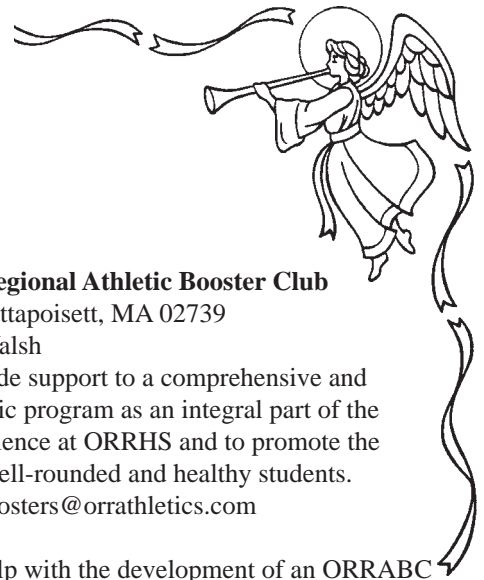


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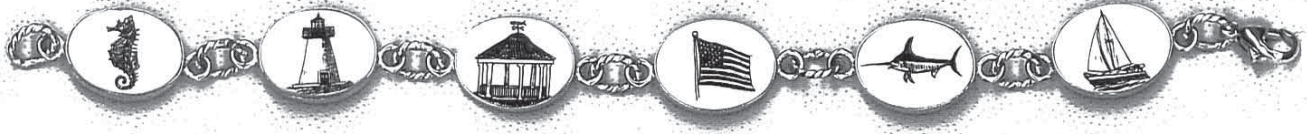
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Currently, they are seeking ladies over 65 years of age in the community who will participate in semi-formal wear, talent and interview segments during the pageant.

A panel of judges including local title holders will judge the pageant and choose the winners. Miss Senior South Coast 2009 will win a trip for two to Cape Cod among other prizes and will be invited through-out the year at their leisure to appear for local community events.

The Second Annual Miss Senior South Coast Pageant will be held on March 6 at 6:30 pm at the Alden Court Nursing and Rehab Facility, 389 Alden Road in Fairhaven. For more information or to sign up, please contact, Sharon Jensen at 508-991-8600, extension 143. There is absolutely no cost for entrance to the program.

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Deaths



James B. Landry, 79, of Mattapoisett died January 26, 2009 at home after a long illness. He was the husband of Maureen (Mannion) Armstrong-Landry.

Born in Everett, MA, the son of the late Burton and Eileen (Queenan) Landry, he lived in Everett and Woburn most of his life before retiring to Mattapoisett in 1997.

Mr. Landry was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church. He was formerly employed as a design engineer with Stone & Webster and later with Charles T. Main. Mr. Landry was a licensed pilot.

Survivors include his wife; 3 sons, James Landry, Jr., Thomas Landry and Frank Landry, all of Woburn; 2 daughters, Bonita Landry and Julie Mahoney, both of Woburn; 2 step-sons, Raymond Armstrong and his wife Judy of East Bridgewater and John Armstrong and his wife Noelle of Bridgewater; a step-daughter, Mary Lou Armstrong of Mattapoisett; 2 sisters, Meredith Harrington of Danvers and Priscilla MacDougall and her husband Hugh of Randolph; a sister-in-law, Mary Ann Landry of Chicago; 8 grandchildren, Jacquelyn, William, Amber, Kayla, Peter, Jake, Madisen and Jack; 3 great-grandchildren, Iviana, Peter and Evan; several nieces and nephews. He was the brother of the late Ronald Landry and the brother-in-law of the late Paul Harrington.

Remembrances may be made to Southcoast Hospice, 200 Mill Rd., Fairhaven, MA 02719. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



David F. Westgate, age 68, of Mattapoisett, died January 25, 2009 at home unexpectedly. He was the husband of Sarah "Sally" (Stowell) Westgate to whom he had been married for the past 37 years.

Born in Fall River, the son of Mu-

riel F. (Barlow) Westgate Emerson who survives of Fall River and the late Attorney Ray C. Westgate, David lived in Tiverton with his family for many years moving to Mattapoisett in 1997. He also had a home in New Smyrna Beach, Florida.

Mr. Westgate was a graduate of Williston Academy in North Hampton, MA, Class of 1959, Colby College in Waterville, Maine, Class of 1963, Williams College School of Banking, Class of 1973; and Stonier School of Banking at Rutgers University, Class of 1976.

Early in his career he was an associate of Barlow Insurance and Real Estate Agency in Fall River. He was Senior Vice President and Lending Officer of the former Fall River National Bank and former Bank of New England - South of which he was also Executive Vice President. In addition to mentoring many throughout his banking career, he was widely acclaimed for the role he played in meeting the consortium for the reestablishment of lending to businesses wiped out by the Kerr Mill fire.

Mr. Westgate was President of Quequechan Management Corporation and a consultant for the Waring-Sullivan Homes of Memorial Tribute serving the south coast communities, and CFO of Affiliated Family Funeral Service of Massachusetts which joined Service Corporation International.

Mr. Westgate's commitment to economic development includes serving several terms as President of the Fall River Office of Economic Development and the immediate past president of South Eastern Economic Development Corporation.

In 2003 he was named Regional Business Advocate of the Year by SEED Corp. In recognizing him, Executive Director Maria Gooch Smith said that "he has made a real difference in this region who devotes a lot of personal time, without compensation, for the benefit of this community. He is a tireless volunteer."

He also volunteered his time as President of Life Stream, Inc., Vice President of the Home for Aged People and a Board Member of the Fall River Area Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He had been recognized as an Outstand-

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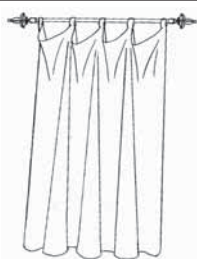
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Rochester Country Fair

Tired of winter? Think ahead to the summer as the Rochester Country Fair Committee prepares for its Tenth Annual Country Fair scheduled to take place August 19-23.

The committee is very excited to have achieved this milestone with the help of its community, supporting staff and numerous volunteers and have chosen a "Mardi Gras" theme to celebrate it!

Events and contests are still in the planning stages, but fair-goers should expect to see some spectacular floats, great costumes and music to go along with its already popular old-fashion events.

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Active in the community, he had been a Board Member and Vice Chairman of Slade's Ferry Bank, now Rockland Trust. He was also a member of the Fall River Rotary Club and had been named a Paul Harris Fellow. He was a board member of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts, member of the Quequechan Club, President of the Fall River YMCA where he was also a champion squash player, treasurer of the North Tiverton Water Board, Board Member of the United Way, and Board Member of the Fall River Marine Museum. He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Fall River.

A passionate sailor, he was well-known throughout Buzzards Bay skippering his beloved Sloop, ESPRIT. He also sailed the Marion to Bermuda race several times. He was a member of the Tiverton & Mattapoisett yacht clubs and the Mattapoisett Casino. An avid skier and cyclist, David had a love of nature and music and sang in the Tiverton Community Chorus. Mr. Westgate served in U.S. Coast Guard, playing trumpet in their band.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by two daughters: Julia Westgate Lown and her husband Carroll of Tiverton and Rachel S. Westgate of Mattapoisett. One grandson, Talbot David Westgate Lown of Tiverton. One sister, Elizabeth Ann Waring and her husband Sumner James Waring, Jr. Several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arrangements by the Waring-Sullivan Home of Memorial Tribute at Cherry Place, 178 Winter Street (at Cherry, Locust and High Streets), Fall River. Memorial contributions may be made to Home for Aged People, 1168 Highland Ave. Fall River, MA 02720 or William E-Mee Youth Sailing Program, P.O. Box 947, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Burial in Cushing Cemetery, Mattapoisett.

Henry H. Knight, 75, of West Wareham, died January 31, 2009 in the Forestview Nursing Home. He was the husband of Elaine F. (Kiarsis) Knight and the son of the late George E.B. and Mildred L. (Reed) Knight.

He was born in Mattapoisett and lived in Rochester before moving to Wareham in 1964. He graduated from New Bedford Vocational Technical High School.

Mr. Knight worked as the Building Inspector for the Town of Wareham for many years before retiring in 1998. Previously he owned and operated Main Street Construction.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church in Rochester, the Cromesett Tribe Improved Order of the Redmen #156, and the Wankinquoah Rod & Gun Club. He was an avid hunter and he enjoyed watching sports. He

had coached football, Little League and Babe Ruth all in Wareham.

Survivors include his widow; 5 sons, Henry H. Knight, Jr., Timothy J. Knight, Stephen G. Knight, Daniel T. Knight and Kenneth F. Knight all of Wareham; a daughter, Carol-Ann Silvia of Carver; 2 step sons, Charles J. Flaherty, Jr. of Wareham and James J. Flaherty of Plymouth; a sister, Helen Lukens of Rochester; 16 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren.

Arrangements by the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., Wareham. Donations in his memory may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

M. Sybil (Hartley) Eshbach, a long-time resident of Amherst, passed away at Cooley Dickinson Hospital on Jan. 29, 2009. She was the daughter of the late James and Marion (Frazer) Hartley of Rochester, Massachusetts. She was predeceased by her husband, Charles E. Eshbach and her brother J. Frazer Hartley.

She is survived by four children, Marion Newell, of North Eastham, Massachusetts; Constance Eshbach, of Rochester, Massachusetts; Charles Eshbach, of Portland, Maine; and Sybil Eddy, of Leverett, Massachusetts; plus six grandchildren, Aimee E. and Nathaniel Newell; Brian and Scott Eshbach; and Benjamin and Sarah Eddy; and four great-grandchildren, Zoey and Sadie Newell; and Collin and Owen Eddy.

Born September 8, 1920, Sybil was a 1938 graduate of Wareham High School. In 1942 she received a degree in Home Economics from Simmons College. On September 27, 1942, she married Charles Eshbach, of Winchester, Massachusetts. While he was in the service, from 1942 to 1944, Sybil taught Home Economics in Carver, Massachusetts; and worked as a 4H County Club Agent for the Barnstable County Cooperative Extension Service.

Memorials donations may be made to CCU Cooley Dickinson Hospital P.O. Box 329 Northampton, MA 01061 or the Rochester Historical Society, Inc. P.O. Box 171 Rochester, MA 02770. Obituary and register at www.douglassfuneral.com

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Marion Art Center

Sylvia

Rehearsals are now underway for Marion Art Center's upcoming production of *Sylvia*. Written by A.R. Gurney (who also penned the Marion Art Center's 2007 winter production, *Later Life*), this dramedy examines the struggles encountered by the long-term marriage of mid-lifers Greg and Kate when a third party becomes involved. What makes this love triangle especially compelling is the fact that the third party — the fun, frisky, devoted Sylvia — is a dog.

While Greg is totally besotted by Sylvia, his wife Kate is anything but, and the evolution of the relationships between Greg, Sylvia and Kate is both comical and intense, and makes for a terrific theater experience. In the role of Greg, the disenchanted investment banker whose midlife crisis takes an unexpectedly canine turn, is Norris Brown of Bourne. Rochester's Nancy Sparklin plays Kate, a woman who is embracing her middle age transition with a new job teaching Shakespeare to inner city youth. Portraying the three roles of Greg's dog park pal Tom,



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MOVIE REVIEW

Taken

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Taken. Starring Liam Neeson and Famke Janssen. Directed by Pierre Morel. Running time: 93 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13.

At age 56, Liam Neeson still looks like a formidable slab of muscle looped over steel. In the new action-thriller *Taken*, Neeson could probably beat his adversaries into submission with his vast stony forehead, but unless I misremember, he doesn't use that particular lethal weapon. He kicks, punches, chops, slashes, shoots, and slams more than one face into more than one wall or door. We almost feel sorry for the poor Armenian scum who have unwisely chosen to kidnap Neeson's daughter to sell her as a sex slave. They're well-armed and well-connected, but they're up against all six feet and four inches of Liam Neeson in all his righteous wrath. It doesn't seem *fair*, really.

Neeson's character, Bryan Mills, used to work for the government as a "preventer" of "bad things." He has retired in order to spend more time with wide-eyed teenage daughter Kim (Maggie Grace), though he also has to weather the disapproving scowl of ex-wife Famke Janssen; Bryan probably likes his chances better against the Armenians. Kim and a friend get kidnapped in Paris, and Bryan swings into action. He looms over his ex's current rich husband (Xander Berkeley) and demands a private flight to France — it's every ex-husband's dream moment.

Taken is a standard give-me-back-my-spawn thriller, but as written by Luc Besson and Robert Mark Kamen it's admirably stripped down — less the credits, you're out of there in under 90 minutes — and it shares Bryan's unearthly focus. It's good that the first act shows off Neeson's warm side — Bryan's daughter is his only weakness, and he's blissful when he's around her. He doesn't need a big speech about how Kim represents the innocence that he wants to preserve in such a cold, corrupt world — we get that when he looks at her, and also when he frets about every step she proposes to take on her Eurotrip. Neeson has been a sorely underrated actor, a solid and somber presence but, despite appearing in box-office hits, never quite a *star*. But *Taken* proves

his star quality in a way no film has since Neeson's early-'90s salad days in *Schindler's List* and, yes, *Darkman*.

Bryan's odyssey through the slime, with frequent concussive scenes in which various Euro-scum are the bowling pins and Bryan is the bowling ball, is on some level *Hardcore* meets *Die Hard*. But there's undeniable pleasure in watching a man of Neeson's power and intelligence unleashing both on scruffy anonymous lowlifes. What could be simplistic and cheesy in other hands becomes iconic. Luc Besson has a knack for pure-cinema adrenaline rides (his protege Pierre Morel directed) that do away with anything inessential — that take red meat and boil it down to the bone. Despite its grim emphasis, *Taken* is not without humor; I particularly enjoyed Bryan's visit to an old colleague turned Paris police desk jockey, whose oblivious wife serves dinner to the two mutually wary men — the way she chirps "Carrots?" to the brooding Neeson is the funniest offer of food in a movie since Marlon Brando proffered biscuits in *The Island of Dr. Moreau*.

You may be forgiven for looking askance at *Taken*, which bounced around global theaters for a while before 20th Century-Fox dumped it into a no-confidence late-January slot. But there is a place for pulp done properly and well; the movie displays little art, but it doesn't have to. Its furious sense of purpose — get in, find the girl, get out — matches Liam Neeson's. And, come to think of it, there is a kind of artistry in the sheer craft and intensity on display. But don't let that stop you.

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Kate's Vassar pal Phyllis, and couples counselor Leslie is Taunton's Paul Kandarian, and in the title role of spunky mutt Sylvia is Kimberly Teves of Marion.

MAC theatergoers will remember this quartet of veteran actors from last year's production of *A Curious Savage*, as well as the previous year's *Later Life*.

Sylvia will run Friday and Saturday March 6 and 7 at 8:00 pm, Sunday March 8 at 2:00 pm, and Friday and Saturday March 13 and 14 at 8:00 pm. Admission is \$12 for MAC members and \$15 for non-members, and tickets may be reserved by calling the Marion Art Center at 508-748-1266.

ARTSTART

Applications are now being accepted for ART-START, the Marion Art Center's summer program for children ages 4.5 to 9 years. Founded in 1985, the activities include Arts and Crafts, Theater, Music, Stories and more. ARTSTART meets Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Children are grouped by age and participate in all three activities everyday. Snack is provided by the MAC. There are three two-week sessions beginning July 7. Each session has a unique theme, and there is an informal production at the end of the two weeks where the children create costumes, sets and help write the plays.

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Above & right: The entire fourth grade of Rochester Memorial School were involved in putting on the production 'Aristocats'. Photo by Sarah K. Taylor

Left: Sara Achorn (on right) played Edgar in Rochester Memorial School's production of Aristocats. Photo by Sarah K. Taylor



TRI-COUNTY SYMPHONIC

Right: Tenor saxophonist Brenton Webstert of the Tri-County Symphonic performs during their Grainger, Gershwin and Gregson concert at the Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium at Old Rochester Regional High School on Sunday afternoon February. Photos by Robert Chiarito



Above: Director Phillip Sanborn and members of the Tri-County Symphonic take a bow during the concert.



Above: Bassoonist Saul Woythaler of the Tri-County Symphonic

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Art Exhibit

The galleries at the Marion Art Center are now open with an exhibition of paintings and drawings by Tibetan children. Curator Kara Linn traveled to Tibet with a variety of art supplies and introduced some children to the concept of making pictures — an activity they had never experienced. The results of her teaching and their exploration of talent will be on display through February 27. The official title of the show is “Tibetan children: Turning the pages of history to a new chapter of peace.”

“I have been fortunate to have had the opportunity to visit Dharamsala, India twice — once in June, 2007 and again one year later,” Ms. Linn said. “Dharamsala is the location of a large Tibetan Expatriate community, home of the Tibetan Government In-Exile and His Holiness the Fourteenth Dalai Lama.”

“My first visit focused on teaching a group of Tibetan orphans from the Tibetan Children’s Village how to paint,” she added. “The end result was 32 framed paintings reflecting the children’s visions of Tibet, their values and their hopes for the future. During my second visit, I organized a second project with another group of Tibetan students at the same school. This project consisted of pairs of student artists and student writers who together produced correlating stories and illustrations that convey the importance of hope in their lives and within the Tibetan situation as a whole.”

The Marion Art Center is located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets in Marion. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Painting Workshops

The Marion Art Center will be offering four workshops in oil, acrylic and watercolor painting this winter. The instructor is Margaret Stevens of Pocasset. She holds a BS in Education and has studied with professional artists including Ted Grostch, Joseph McGurl, Charles Gruppe and Christie Velesig. She has exhibited and won prizes at several galleries on Cape Cod and has taught at Falmouth Artist Guild and Bourne/Wareham Association.

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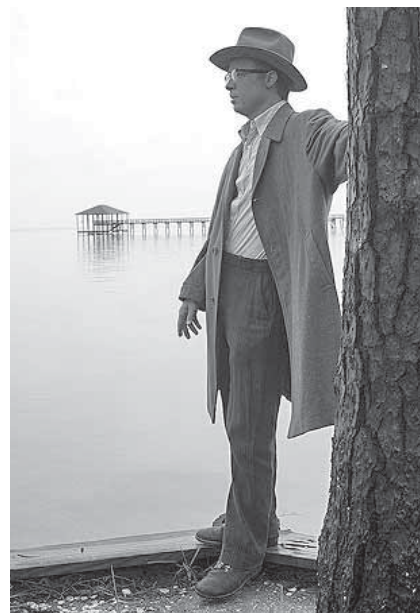
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will be entered into a random drawing to receive a special Wanderer gift basket of movie-related goodies. The winner will be announced in our February 26 issue. Be sure to watch the Oscar telecast live on **Sunday night, February 22 at 8:00 PM** on ABC to see the final results.



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- ☐ Josh Brolin, *Milk*
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- ☐ Richard Jenkins, *The Visitor*
- ☐ Frank Langella, *Frost/Nixon*
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- ☐ Mickey Rourke, *The Wrestler*

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The first two workshops will be held on Saturday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on February 7 and February 14. Instruction for intermediate artists will focus on color and composition using oil and acrylic paints. Students should bring their own materials plus a photograph to work from. Classes will be held in the studio at the Marion Art Center. The fee is \$50 for MAC members and \$65 for non-members.

The second set of workshops will be held on March 7 and 14 and will focus on color and composition using watercolor paints. Students should provide their own materials plus a photograph to work from. The same fees of \$50 and \$65 will be charged. People may sign up for one, two or all four workshops by calling 508-748-1266 or email the Marion Art Center at marionartcenter@verizon.net. Please include your email for information about materials. For more information, please contact Wendy Bidstrup at 508-748-1266.

Mattapoisett Historical Society

On Sunday, February 8 at 2:00 pm, Seth Mendell will give another talk in his ongoing series about the history of Mattapoisett. This chapter will cover the final phases of World War II, including the Normandy invasion, the collapse of Germany and the dropping of the atomic bomb. From the forming of ship convoys in Buzzards Bay to the Honor Roll of those who served, Mattapoisett played a meaningful part in this tremendous



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MARION

Log highlights Jan 25-Jan 31

- Front St – medical emergency
- Spring Street – animal complaint
- River Road – motor vehicle stop
- Jerei Lane – burglar alarm
- County Road – animal complaint
- Spring Street – vandalism/past
- Wareham Road – assist municipal agency/arrest
- Mill Street – abandoned 911 call
- School Street – medical emergency
- Rte 195 west – MVA/injury
- Wareham Road – general service
- Point Road – motor vehicle stop
- Rte 195 west – general service
- Spring Street – suspicious activity
- Converse road – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – MVA/property
- Inland Road – motor vehicle stop
- Gifford's Corner Road – MV stop/arrest
- 4th District Court – transport
- Wareham Road – motor vehicle stop/arrest, licensed suspended op mv with speeding
- School Street – medical emergency
- Joanne Drive – family offense
- Park Street – motor vehicle complaint
- Front Street – found property
- Washburn Park Road – general service
- Hill Street – motor vehicle stop

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Jan 25-Feb 1

- Church Street – ambulance request
- Rte 195 east – MV crash
- North Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Long Plain Road – summons service
- North St & Snow Fields – MV crash
- Melissa Anne Lane – MV crash
- West Hill Road – MV lockout
- Acushnet Road – medical assist
- Fairhaven Road – ambulance request
- Main Street – animal control
- Brant Beach Ave – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Wolf Island Road – safety/road hazard
- Lebaron Way – suspicious motor vehicle
- Deep Woods Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Marion Road – traffic control
- County Road – MV general-repossessed
- Pleasant View Ave – general service
- Marina Drive – vandalism
- Fairhaven Road – MV violation
- County Road – 209A order issued/extended
- Industrial Drive – alarm, burglar
- Beech Wood Road – assist citizen
- Church Street – fire, other
- Acushnet Road – parking complaint
- Park Street – 209A order issued/extended
- Antassawamock Road – health/welfare
- County Road – MV violations

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Jan 25-Feb 02

- Snipatuit Road – vandalism
- Dexter Lane – animal control
- Cromwell Lane – traffic hazard
- North Ave – erratic operation
- County Road – motor vehicle stop
- Bennett Road – alarm, burglar
- North Ave – larceny/forgery/fraud
- High Street – erratic operation
- Alley Road – traffic hazard
- Cranberry Highway – motor vehicle stop
- Constitution Way – building check
- Mary's Pond Road – suspicious activity/protective custody
- Cranberry Highway – transport prisoner
- Perry Hill Road – assist other agency
- Bishop Road – disabled MV
- North Ave – ATV/rec vehicle complaint
- Mattapoisett Road – highway matter
- Cushman Road – investigation
- Old Schoolhouse Road – missing person
- Pine Street – traffic hazard
- North Ave – ambulance request
- Cranberry Highway – suspicious MV
- Snipatuit Road – motor vehicle stop
- Pine Street – parking violation
- Dexter lane – test 911 call
- Walnut Plain Road – motor vehicle stop/protective custody

LOCAL LUNCH MENUS



COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday February 9: Stuffed peppers w/tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, white bread, pears.

Tuesday February 10: Beef Stew w/vegetables, boiled potato, multi-grain roll, banana

Wednesday February 11: Beef Stroganoff w/buttered noodles, chuck wagon blend veg, whole wheat bread, butterscotch pudding, diet: sugar free pudding

Thursday February 12: Chicken/fricassee sauce, peas, lyonnaise potatoes, Parker House roll, mixed fruit

Friday February 13: Seafood Newburg w/fluffy white rice, carrots, whole

grain bread, Valentine's day bread pudding, Diet: sugar free pudding.

MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday February 9: Chicken tenders, mashed potato, vegetable, fruit

Tuesday February 10: Hot dog on a roll, smiley fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

Wednesday February 11: Spaghetti w/wo meatballs, vegetable, bread stick, fruit, choice of milk

Thursday February 12: Taco with all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of milk

Friday February 13: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday February 9: Spaghetti & meatballs, bread, salad & peaches

Tuesday February 10: Cheeseburger, fries, carrots & pears

Wednesday February 11: early dismissal, no lunch

Thursday February 12: Assorted sandwiches, pasta salad, corn & mixed fruit

Friday February 13: Pizza, pretzels, veggie sticks & mixed fruit

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR AND HIGH SCHOOL

Monday February 9: Chicken Tenders, French fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

Tuesday February 10: Quesadilla, fried, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

Wednesday February 11: Chicken parm over pasta, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday February 12: Tacos with all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of milk.

Friday February 13: Meatball sub, wedges, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Monday February 9: Chicken tenders, mashed potato, vegetable, fruit

Tuesday February 10: Hot dog on

a roll, smiley fries, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

Wednesday February 11: Spaghetti w/wo meatballs, vegetable, bread stick, fruit, choice of milk

Thursday February 12: Taco with all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of milk

Friday February 13: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.

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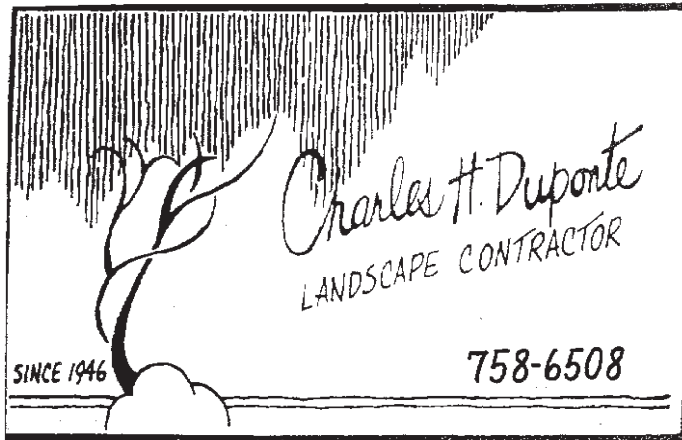
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Wednesday February 11: Spaghetti w/wo meatballs, vegetable, bread stick, fruit, choice of milk

Thursday February 12: Taco with all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of milk

Friday February 13: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk.



conflict. The lecture will be held in the Mattapoisett Historical Museum and Carriage House, 5 Church Street.

ORCTV Video Camps

ORCTV is offering two video production camps to tri-town youth. These camps will run during the February and April school vacation weeks. Youth will learn digital camcorders, editing and studio production. Space is limited. The cost is \$100 per child per session, ages 12-15. Please call ORCTV at 508-748-1600 to sign up or for more information, or go to www.orctv.org. Price includes snacks, t-shirt and annual ORCTV membership. They will also be offering two summer expanded camps — please call to inquire.

Magic of Music Idol

On Saturday, March 7, Jill Jensen, founder of the Magic of Music Scholarship Program, will be holding its Second Annual Idol Contest at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Mattapoisett at 6:30 pm. The idol contest proceeds benefit Ms. Jensen's scholarship program which enables kids to pursue their musical dreams. This past year, Ms. Jensen has provided almost \$4,000 in scholarships to local kids and organizations to help pay for music/dance lessons as well as musical instruments and related materials.

The Idol Contest is open to any performer interested between the ages of 6 and 18. There will be winners from three different categories based upon the applicants.

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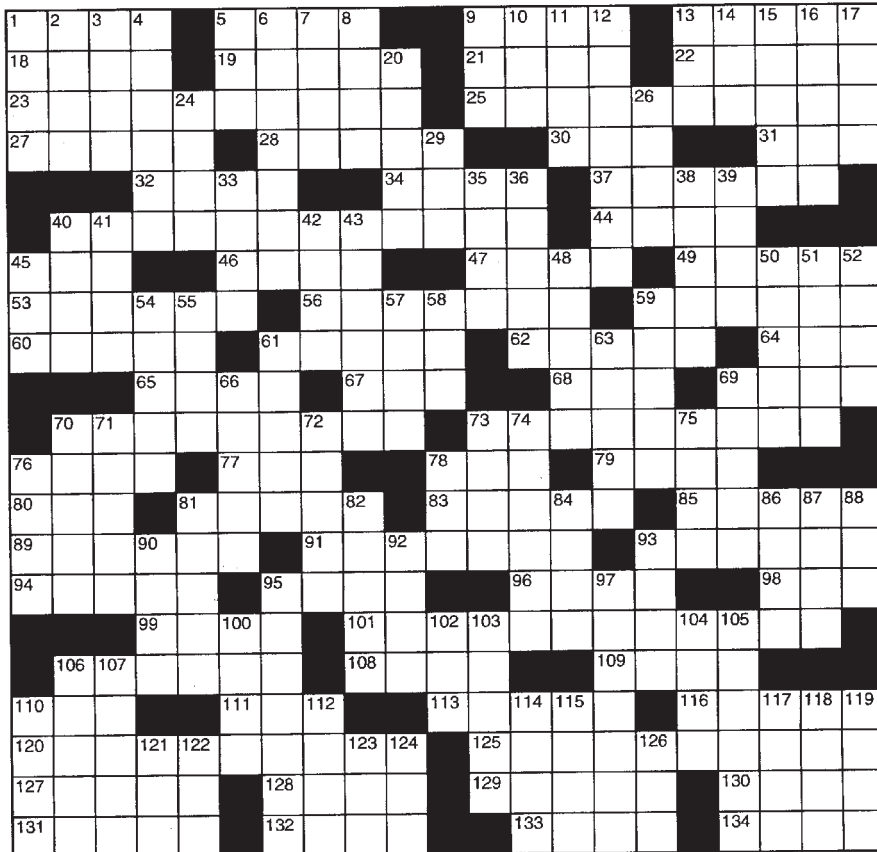
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34 Not — many words
37 "Animal Farm" author
40 6' actor
44 Garfield's pal
45 Tie the knot
46 38 Down, for one
47 — impasse
49 Sour sort
53 Swallow up
56 Undergoes
59 Make a pile?
60 Pool person
- 61 Puzzling problem
62 Scarlett's sweetheart
64 Actress Hagen
65 Potter's need
67 Browning's bedtime?
68 Diva Marton
69 Young or King
70 6' designer
73 6' author
76 Art deco figure
77 Marsh
78 Parenthesis shape
79 Melodious
80 Deli loaf
81 Robert of "The Citadel"
83 Feline, familiarly
85 Force
89 '66 Michael Caine movie
91 Supervise
93 Take for granted
94 Attack
95 They may get cold
96 Ring out
98 Fix a fight
99 And others
- 101 6' singer
- 106 Paraguayan title
108 Mediocre
109 When pigs whistle, to Tennyson
110 Mongrel
111 Address abbr.
113 Actress Hedren
116 Gettysburg commander
120 6' trumpeter
125 6' anthropologist
127 Doll up
128 Ireland
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130 Scorch
131 Pass on
132 Crowd-burst?
133 Part of a threat
134 Connecticut campus
- DOWN
- 1 Supermarket supplies
2 "New Jack City" actor
3 Korean statesman
4 Go-getter
5 Lincoln son
6 Disconcerts
7 Spelunker's spot
8 Tony's cousin
- 9 Scott's "The — Quartet"
10 Mispickel, e.g.
11 Become winded
12 Queequeg's weapon
13 Mr. Mineo
14 Season firewood
15 Peg
16 Shake-spearean sprite
17 Chore
20 Clear jelly
24 Love, to Livy
26 Grounds
29 — -Cat (winter transport)
33 Relief initials?
35 Constellation component
36 Furry fisherman
38 Cowes' locale
39 First name in architecture
40 Fellow
41 Brink
42 Role for Liz
43 Has a hunch
45 Craven or Unselfed
- 48 Peter of Peter and Gordon
50 It's down in the mouth
51 Copper or cobalt
52 Mastermind
54 Quitter's cry
55 Vegetate
57 "Disco Duck" singer
58 Keatsian crock
59 Barrel part
61 Tower
63 Each's partner
66 Head monk
69 See 70 Down
70 With 69 Down, "Heaven" singer
71 Stuff
72 Dumbstruck
73 "True —" ('69 film)
74 Arm-y types?
75 Wading bird
76 Therefore
78 Canine grp.
81 "Same here!"
82 Lock
84 "Lemon —" ('65 hit)
86 Immaculate
- 87 Kuwaiti kingpin
88 Turkey serving
90 "I've — had!"
92 Conductor Klemperer
93 — vera
95 Roaring Twenties figure
97 Canvas shades
100 Inland sea
102 Superlative suffix
103 Nullifies
104 "Nautilus" captain
105 Formal
106 Kid stuff?
107 Comic Leon
110 Canterbury cleaner
112 Austin or Copley
114 Velvet feature
115 Bucket
117 On the briny
118 Distribute the deck
119 Rochester's missus
121 It may be strapless
122 Whichever
123 Carnival site
124 Big bang letters
126 Adversary



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Seeing the silly side of some really ridiculous situations helps give the Lamb a new perspective on how to handle them. Some important contacts can be made this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Try to complete your outstanding tasks by midweek.

This leaves you free to take advantage of new possibilities -- both professional and personal -- opening up by week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) With both your creative side and your energy levels rising this week, you should be able to tackle that too-long-neglected project again. A family member might have important news.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An explanation you requested seems to be more confusing than enlightening. You should insist on clarifications now, rather than deal with problems that might arise later.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your energy levels might be ebbing a bit. But that's no excuse for taking catnaps when you could be working on those unfinished tasks. There'll be time to curl up and relax by week's end.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to get those ideas out of your head and into a readable format if you hope to have them turned into something doable. A good friend is ready with worthwhile advice.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Careful -- you might be stepping into dangerous territory if you decide to "exaggerate" the facts too much. Remember: The truth speaks for itself and needs no embellishment.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Although your workplace successes have earned you many admirers, there are some colleagues who are not among them. Be careful how you proceed with your new project.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might have to go into great detail to explain why you're currently reluctant to make changes to an already prepared plan. Be sure you have all the facts to back yourself up.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Travel plans might still be uncertain. But instead of getting upset about the delay, open yourself up to other possibilities, and begin checking out some alternative destinations.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Changing conditions might require you to alter some of your plans. While you might be agreeable to this, be prepared with explanations for those who do not want changes made.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Although you might have to deal with some detractors who aren't too kind in their critiques, you gain points when you're willing to stand up and defend your work.

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Applications for the idol contest can be downloaded at the Magic of Music Website at www.magicofmusic.weebly.com. All acts are limited to two minutes.

Winners in each category will receive cash and donated prizes from community sponsors. An over-all winner will receive studio time at The New England Music Group of Taunton to record a CD among other community-sponsored prizes and the opportunity to perform with the Magic of Music Troupe throughout the SouthCoast area during 2009.

All applicants must submit a competition CD and an application with a \$20 registration fee by February 20 in order to participate in the event. Please contact Jill Jensen at magicofmusic4u@aol.com or call 508-521-0737 for more information.

FISH Volunteers Needed

FISH of Mattapoisett, the group of volunteers who assist in getting rides for people that have medical appointments and do not drive, are desperately in need of telephone volunteers.

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person a ride.

Help is desperately needed. Please contact Jack McGill at 508-758-3542 with your name, phone number, and which day of the month you could volunteer.

Your help is greatly appreciated. This is such a needed service in Mattapoisett. There are many people who do not drive and have no other way of getting to their doctor's appointments.

Rochester Library Trustees

The Trustees for the Joseph Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester are seeking to fill vacant seats on the board. The Trustees would like to invite members of the Rochester community who have an interest in libraries to contact Library Director Gail Roberts, either by dropping by the library, calling 508-763-8600, or emailing groberts@sailsinc.org. Anyone interested in becoming a Trustee is invited to attend the next meeting on Saturday, February 7 at 8:30 am.

Commitment to the board is at least one to two hours per month. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of every month from 8:30 to 10:00 am throughout the year. Qualifications necessary to fill this post include a belief in the library and its role in the community and a willingness to advocate when necessary.

For more information on the vacancy and the requirements, please come to the meeting or contact Library Director Gail Roberts for more information.

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LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES
<p>-----</p> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #975 The Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on the application of Barbara English, 136 North Avenue, Assessors' plan 48 lot 30B, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.D.1 to allow a business in the residential agricultural district. The hearing will be held February 12, 2009 at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 01/29, 02/05</p> <p>-----</p> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD Pursuant to G.L. c 40A, s. 9, and the Marion Zoning Bylaw, the Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 5:00 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House upon application of the Sardinha Family Trust to modify a Special Permit granted on May 24, 2007 with respect to the land and buildings located at 450 Wareham Street (Plat 13, Lot 49) for a proposed "Dunkin Donuts" restaurant. The request for modification includes a request to alter the site plan approved on October 2, 2000 for said land and buildings. Plans</p>	<p>and application materials regarding the requested modification are on file with the Planning Board and available during normal Town Hall business hours. Joseph Napoli, Chairman Peter Winters, Vice-Chairman 01/29, 02/05</p> <p>-----</p> <p>LEGAL NOTICETOWN OF MATTAPOISETT-CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by Michael T. Huguenin & Sharon L. Chown. The Applicants request that Mattapoisett Conservation Commission confirm the Wetland Resource Area Delineations to be accurate as shown on an accompanying Existing Conditions Plan. The project is located at 40 Ocean Drive and is further identified as Lot #18 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #15B. Conservation Commission 02/05</p> <p>-----</p> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications:</p>	<p>Application of John & Laura Hartnett of 8 Island View Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 8 Island View Avenue. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.1 and 3.1.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to demolish the existing flat roof and reconstruct a new roof line to a nonconforming garage. The property is further described as Plat 14A, Lot 44 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 6:00 PM #1140 Application of Richard L. & Janet L. Wells of 8 Davenport Drive, Mendon, MA 01756 re property located at 10 Woodland Avenue. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a second floor addition to an existing dwelling that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 6, Lot 73 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 6:15 PM #1141 Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Jeffrey R. Chase, Chairperson Jack R. McGill Susan Akin Paul Milott Mary Anne Brogan 02/05, 02/12</p>

LOCAL CABLE PROGRAMMING



SUNDAY FEB. 8, 2009

7:00 AM - Second Coming Church
8:00 AM - The New Testament Church of Cedarville
9:00 AM - Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM - First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM - Physician's Focus
11:30 AM - White House Chronicles
12:00 PM - The Jeff Perry Report
1:00 PM - The Dr. Is In
2:00 PM - Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM - First Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM - The New Testament Church of Cedarville
6:00 PM - Rochester COA Monthly
8:00 PM - Tri-Town Business Association
12:00 AM - Midnight Movie

MONDAY FEB. 9, 2009

11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch

5:30 PM - White House Chronicle
6:30 PM - Attentive Home Health Care
8:00 PM - Army News Watch
8:30 PM - Physician's Focus
9:00 PM - The Dr. Is In
10:00 PM - Creatively Speaking
10:30 PM - Life Matters
Midnight - Midnight Movie

TUESDAY FEB. 10, 2009

11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
1:30 PM - The Wanderer Presents
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
5:00 PM - Rochester COA Monthly
7:00 PM - HomeFront
7:30 PM - Sharing Miracles
Midnight - Midnight Movie

WEDNESDAY FEB. 11, 2009

11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch

3:30 PM - Tri-Town Holiday Greetings
5:30 PM - Ampersand
6:30 PM - Attentive Home Health Care
7:00 PM - White House Chronicle
7:30 PM - The Jeff Perry Report
8:00 PM - Physician's Focus
9:00 PM - Ampersand
10:00 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show
10:30 PM - Life Matters
Midnight - Midnight Movie

THURSDAY FEB. 12, 2009

11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
7:30 PM - Get Connected With Conn Jackson
8:00 PM - Cooking With Marie
8:30 PM - The Rock Star Stories
9:00 PM - Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers
Midnight - Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers

FRIDAY FEB. 13, 2008

11:00 AM - Senior Stretch
11:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon - Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM - Senior Stretch
7:00 PM - Fox Robbins Business Show
8:00 PM - Homefront
9:30 PM - Around BCC
11:00 PM - Ampersand
Midnight - Midnight Movie Double Feature

SATURDAY FEB. 14, 2008

8:00 AM - Classic Christmas Cartoon Festival
Noon - Don Cuddy: Neighbor to Neighbor
1:00 PM - U-Mass Dartmouth Sports
8:00 PM - Cooking With Marie
8:30 PM - The Rock Star Stories
9:00 PM - Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers
11:30 PM - Get Connected With Conn Jackson
Midnight - Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers

CHANNEL 95 - MARION GOVERNMENT FOR NOVEMBER

DAILY SCHEDULE

11:00 AM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
2:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
6:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
9:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

CHANNEL 95 - ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT FOR NOVEMBER

DAILY SCHEDULE

11:00 AM - Board of Selectmen Meeting on Dog Policy 1-29-09
1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
2:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
5:00 PM - Board of Selectmen Meeting on Dog Policy 1-29-09
6:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
8:30 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

Marion Council on Aging

Podiatry Clinic

The next podiatry clinic will be held on February 9 beginning at 1:00 pm at the COA office. Appointments are needed.

Parkinson's Group

The next Parkinson's Group meeting will be held on February 12 at 1:00 pm at the Dartmouth Council on Aging (COA).

Cardiac Prevention

A Cardiac Prevention Program will be held on February 17 from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm at the Town Hall. This is no charge for this program. Cholesterol, blood sugar, and blood pressure screenings will be available and a nurse and dietician will be available to answer any questions.

Tennis Lessons

Intermediate tennis lessons for adults will be offered again this year beginning on March 21 and running for nine weeks. These will be held at the Marion Indoor Tennis Club with Alex Pavao on Saturdays from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm for a cost of \$200. Please call to reserve your spot as this fills up quickly.

Museum Trips

On February 26 the van will be traveling to the Museum of Science and on March 19 they will have a trip to the Kennedy Memorial Museum. Participants are responsible for their own admission fee and parking costs. A freewill donation is also requested to help defray the cost of the transportation. Please call to reserve a place on the van.

Mattapoisett Town Clerk

The Mattapoisett Town Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and the second and fourth Tuesday of the month until 6:00 pm.

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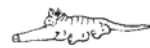
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Each time you find the Aardvark you will also be entered in our monthly drawing for other cool Aardvark Prizes.

If you would like to enter the monthly drawing by mail, send your name, address and phone number along with the issue date and page number you found him in to: Wanderer - I Found the Aardvark, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Entries by mail will not be eligible for Aardvark Points.

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**In the January 29 issue
the Aardvark was on page 68!**

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



Amber Waves



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license is necessary for a Fishing license only.

- **2009 Dog Licenses** – Licenses are available. The dog's rabies vaccination must be up to date and a certificate on file to obtain a license. The fee is \$10 for male/female and \$7 for spayed/neutered. If the dog owner is age 70 or over, the license is free of charge but rabies information must be on file. Please call the office if you have any questions.

- **2009 Census** – Each household should be receiving a Town census form within the next few weeks. Please look it over carefully, make any additions, corrections or deletions necessary, sign and return to this office as soon as possible. If you are a registered voter, non-response to census may result in removal from the active voting list.

- **Town Nomination Papers** – nomination papers are available for the following Town Offices: Selectman, Assessor, Mattapoisett School Committee, Library Trustee, Moderator, Water/Sewer Commissioner, Highway Surveyor, Board of Health, Planning Board, Mattapoisett Housing Authority, and Community Preservation Committee. The last day to obtain papers is *Friday March 27, 2009* and they must be returned by *Monday March 30, 2009*. The Town Election is scheduled for Tuesday May 19, 2009.

- The photo of the Flag Ceremony at the closing of the Sesquicentennial celebration is still available in the Town Clerk's office. The photo is in color and the price is \$10. What a lovely souvenir of a most wonderful event in the town's history.

Rochester Dog Licenses

The 2009 dog license period has begun in Rochester. This is a reminder that it is time to come in and license your dog at the office of the Town Clerk. The fee is \$7 for a neutered or spayed pet, or \$10 for an un-neutered or unspayed pet. All dogs must be licensed by July 1. Any dogs unlicensed after July 1 will be charged a late fee of \$25 per dog. Owners may also be subject to legal action for failure to license dogs. Massachusetts Law requires proof of rabies vaccination at time of licensing, so please bring it with you.

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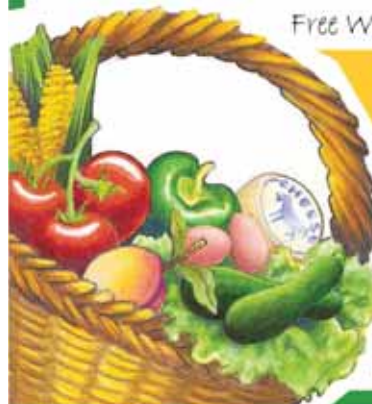
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Remember to check The Wanderer each week so you will know who to wish a "Happy Birthday!"

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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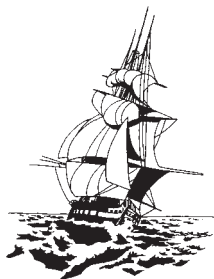
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Rochester's Plumb Library

Following are upcoming programs to be held at the Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester:

- If you are either getting ready to retire, or thinking about retiring in the future, you should attend February's **Act II: Boomers and Beyond** program: "Preparing for Retirement," given by Ron Ellis of Edward Jones Investing of Mattapoisett on Wednesday, February 25 at 6:30 pm at the Plumb Library in Rochester. Ron will have handouts, worksheets, and will answer questions about what to do to get ready for retirement. Pre-registration is required. Register in person at the Plumb Library, call 508-763-8600, or email info@plumblibrary.com. This Life-long Access program is being funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with funds from LSTA, a Federal source of library funding provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. EqualAccess Libraries is a professional development program sponsored by Libraries for the Future.

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• **Cafe Parlez book group:** On Thursday February 26 at 6:30 pm, we will be discussing *Practical Magic* by Alice Hoffman. Gillian and Sally Owens are brought up by their two elderly aunts in a world of spells and exotic from which they eventually escape, but which never escapes from them. Books and refreshments are provided. New members are always welcome!

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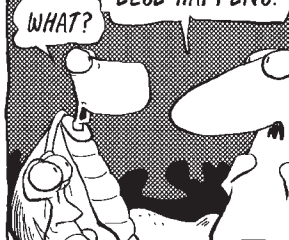
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Marion Town Clerk

The Marion Annual Street Listing 2009 (census) forms are being mailed out this month. Please complete the forms as soon as possible and drop them off at the Town House, 2 Spring Street or mail them back in the enclosed envelope.

These census forms are very important for the town as state aid is based on the numbers returned. The Annual Street List is compiled from this information. No children under the age of 16 are placed in the street list however, it is very important that children be noted on the census form for school and state purposes, but again, no children under the age of 16 are placed in the street list.

2009 Dog Licenses are also now available at the Town Clerk's office. Please stop by or use the application which will be with the Annual Street List form making sure to read the instructions carefully as incomplete applications will be returned. People over 70 years of age do

not have to pay the dog license fee but are still responsible for showing current rabies information.

Please call the Town Clerk's office at 508-748-3502 with any questions you may have.

Millicent Movie Nights

The Millicent Library in Fairhaven will be hosting a new monthly Monday Movie Night series running from January to June. The theme of this series will be "Comedy Tonight."

"After the War Movies series, I figured it was time for something lighter," said Rob Gonsalves, who organizes Movie Night. "We'll be showing comedies from the 1940s to the 1990s. I tried to select films that people haven't seen a million times before."

March 2 will bring Stanley Donen's *Bedazzled* (1967), "written by and starring Peter Cook and Dudley Moore, retelling the Faust legend in the Swinging London of the 1960s." The film is not rated, but is probably the equivalent of a PG.

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February 5:	Thurs.	3:28	4:03	10:14	9:32
February 6:	Fri.	4:38	5:07	11:13	10:38
February 7:	Sat.	5:40	6:05	11:59	11:39
February 8:	Sun.	6:35	6:58	...	12:52
February 9:	Mon.	7:26	7:49	12:37	1:34
February 10:	Tues.	8:13	8:36	1:31	2:13
February 11:	Wed.	9:01	9:24	2:21	2:49
February 12:	Thurs.	9:48	10:12	3:06	3:22
February 13:	Fri.	10:35	11:01	3:49	3:56
February 14:	Sat.	11:23	11:50	4:31	4:31
February 15:	Sun.	...	12:09	5:15	5:11
February 16:	Mon.	12:40	1:00	6:07	5:58
February 17:	Tues.	1:34	1:54	7:22	6:59
February 18:	Wed.	2:35	2:56	9:02	8:17
February 19:	Thurs.	3:44	4:02	10:03	9:32
February 20:	Fri.	4:46	5:00	10:48	10:30
February 21:	Sat.	5:35	5:47	11:28	11:20
February 22:	Sun.	6:15	6:27	...	12:05
Phases of the Moon		Full Moon		February 9th	
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